MEMBERS OF THE 1943 CLASS OF NURSING at Lynchburg General Hospital enjoyed a weekend of reunion activities in July. Meeting in Lynchburg, the group lunched together, enjoyed dinner together and toured the Lynchburg General Hospital. Class members pictured are, left to right, Sara Lawson Poole, Lynchburg; Roy Moon of Appomattox, who accompanied his wife Gladys DeWitt Moon; Mary Miller Longino, Texas; Ada Massie Hess, New York; Mamie Gibbs Jennings, Bedford; Ron Hess, New York, brother-in-law of Ada M. Hess; front, Jane Poole, New Mexico. Members of the class not pictured include Nellie Hart, Lynchburg; Elsie Staples Mays, Amherst; Arlene Ray Mendez, Richmond and Edna Robinson Walker, North Carolina. Concluding the weekend festivities was a breakfast in the home of Roy and Gladys Moon, Appomattox.

Lynchburg nursing

Class of 1943 reunites

The 1943 class of the Lynchburg General Hospital's School of Nursing held a class reunion, the first since graduation, the second weekend in July. Many of the class members had not seen each other during the 41 years since they finished nurses' training.

One class member, who planned to fly to Lynchburg from quite a distance, wondered how she would be able to recognize a fellow classmate, Gladys Moon, who planned to meet her at the airport in Lynchburg.

A friend suggested that Gladys wear her nurse's cap to the airport. Gladys did as her friend suggested, adding to that clue a sign reading, "Welcome home, class of 1943." It worked, there was no problem with recognition.

Activities for the weekend reunion included lunching together, having dinner together while catching up on who was living where and doing what and filling in the gap of years with bits of interesting information. A highlight of the weekend was a tour of the facilities of the Lynchburg General - Marshall Lodge Hospital. The reunion ended with a Sunday morning breakfast in the home of Gladys and Roy Moon in Appomattox.

Happiness is 4-H

Five-county fair one month away

By FRANK H. SWEET
Extension Agent

4-H members are reminded that the Five County Fair in Farmville is just one month away. This year's fair begins on Monday, September 10, and concludes on Saturday, September 15. We will try to send a Five County Fair catalog to each 4-H family as soon as they are available.

4-H'ers having livestock (especially beef cattle and dairy cattle) to enter in the Fair are asked to give us a call at the Extension Office (352-8244) so that we may visit with you and offer assistance. Dairy cattle will be shown on Tuesday evening, September 11, and beef cattle will be shown on Wednesday evening, September 12, during the Five County Fair week.

Completed 4-H projects must be turned in by September 30. All 4-H projects will be judged and ribbons awarded. Members who turn in top quality projects may receive county 4-H medals during an Annual 4-H Awards Program. 4-H members may turn in completed projects at the Appomattox Extension Office during regular 4-H meetings in September.

The Virginia Association of Adult 4-H Volunteer Leaders will hold its annual meeting November 16-17 in Charlottesville. Copies of the tentative program, as well as the registration materials, are available from the Appomattox Extension Office. All 4-H volunteer leaders are encouraged to participate in this important state meeting.

The Appomattox Extension Office has a copy of the 1984 Virginia State Fair catalog if you would like to stop by and take a look. We should be receiving about six copies in the near future.

We are still holding leftover clothing from 4-H Camp. Shirts, socks, underwear, towels and swimming suits are the main items remaining. Please stop by and look through these materials if you think your child is missing items from our week at camp. After September 1, items remaining will be donated to the Department of Social Services Clothes Closet.

New project will assist exporters in state

A new federal pilot project which will assist Virginia exporters to more aggressively market Virginia agricultural products was announced today by Commissioner S. Mason Carbaugh of the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS).

The Agricultural Information and Marketing Services (AIMS) was inaugurated in April of this year and is expected to significantly increase the volume and timeliness of trade available to U.S. agricultural exporters.

Virginia is one of six states selected in the project according to the Commissioner. "Ultimately, once the system is in operation," said Carbaugh, "it will permit same day response to requests made by foreign importers to U.S. agricultural counselors and attaches abroad."

Special education officers elected

The Advisory Committee for Special Education in Appomattox County Public Schools elected officers at its meeting on Thursday for the 1984-85 school session. They are J. Robert Jamerson, chairman; Mrs. Amy Nash, vice-chairman; and Mrs. Mildred Thompson, secretary.

The advisory committee is made up of 21 persons who represent parents of children receiving services, business, one handicapped citizen, all agencies which provide services to children, and public schools.

The group meets a minimum of four times annually. An important task of the committee each year is to assist in the preparation of the annual plan for services. Prior to the planning session, committee members have received much information through reports and visitations to all classes.

Advisory committees are important because they make suggestions to the school division and, also, interpret school programs and practices to the public.

Additional information about the functions of the committee or information of Special Education services is available from the committee chairman or the School Board Office.

Area students get academic honors

Area students attending Sweet Briar College have been honored in recognition of high academic achievement. They are:

Mrs. Lavonia Fore Wright of Gladstone, a senior, has been named a Sweet Briar Scholar for the third year. She was elected to the Theta of Virginia Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. She received Junior Honors and was elected to "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities." Mrs. Wright is the wife of Luther T. Wright and a graduate of Amherst County High School.

Mrs. Toni Gale Duffield Dean of Monroe, a sophomore, and Ms. Linda Thoma of Appomattox, a junior, have been named Pannell Scholars. Mrs. Dean is a graduate of Amherst County High School. Mrs. Thoma graduated from William Cullen Bryant High School, Long Island City, NY.

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Death Notices

Mrs. W. T. Covington

Mrs. Edna Turns Covington, 88, of Appomattox, died at Virginia Baptist Hospital Aug. 13, 1984 at 2:45 p.m.

She was the daughter of the late W. Leslie Turns and Gertrude Inge Turns.

She is survived by three sisters, Mrs. J.L. Torrence and Mrs. R.H. Coleman, both of Appomattox, and Mrs. B.C. Gilliam, Farmville, and one brother, William L. Turns Jr., Farmville.

Funeral services will be held at Hollywood Baptist Church at 11 a.m. Wednesday, today, by the Rev. Carlton Smith.

Robinson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Aron W. Elliott

Aron William Elliott, 60, of Appomattox, died Friday, August 10, 1984, at Fayetteville Veterans Hospital, Fayetteville, N.C.

He was born in Pittsylvania County July 31, 1924, a son of the late John Henry Elliott and Laura Doss Elliott. He was a former construction worker, a retired farmer and a veteran of World War II.

He is survived by two sons, Kenneth W. Elliott and Michael W. Elliott, both of Appomattox; two daughters, Mrs. Barbara Shepherd of Fayetteville, N.C., and Ms. Shelby E. Paulette, Appomattox; five grandchildren; five sisters, Margaret Colbert and Idell Dawson, both of Hurt, Delia Woodford, Lynchburg, and Elsie Lanier and Oney Creasy, both of Hollywood, Fla.; two brothers, Earl Elliott, Hurt, and Leroy Elliott, Lynchburg; his former wife, Ida P. Elliott, Appomattox.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday at 2 p.m. at Robinson Funeral Home by the Revs. Earnie Lucas and Robert E. Lee. Burial followed in Greenlawn Cemetery at Hurt.

Robinson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Willie Edward Evans

Funeral services for Willie Edward Evans, Appomattox, were held Saturday at 1 p.m. at Cannon Baptist Church in Appomattox, the Rev. C. L. Elliott delivering the eulogy, with interment in the family cemetery.

West Funeral Home, Appomattox, was in charge of arrangements.

Albert Richardson Franklin

Albert Richardson Franklin, 64, of 2116 Woodcrest Drive, Lynchburg, Va., died Sunday at the Salem Veterans Hospital. He was the husband of Mary Naomi Blanks Franklin.

Born in Appomattox County, he was a son of the late Warner Richardson and Bridgett Ann Cheatham Franklin. He was employed by Mead Corp., having served 43 years. He was a veteran of World War II, having served under General Patton, and received the Purple Heart. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans and Peakland United Methodist Church.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Carolyn F. Wiley and Mrs. Kay F. Ballea, both of Lynchburg, and Mrs. Ann F. Gray, Alexandria; five brothers, Clifton Franklin of Orlando, Fla., Edward Franklin and Benjamin Franklin, both of Rustburg, Marshall Franklin, Gladys, and Lawson Franklin, Lynchburg; four sisters, Mrs. Berta F. Terrell, Williamsburg, Mrs. Estelle F. Adcock of Memphis, Texas, Mrs. Mary F. Mitchell, Lynchburg, and Mrs. Hattie F. Cyrus, Rustburg; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Peakland United Methodist Church with burial in Virginia Memorial Park.

Dugald Stevenson Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

John Thomas Scruggs

Graveside funeral services for John Thomas Scruggs, Appomattox, were held Sunday at 2 p.m. at Promise Land Baptist Church cemetery.

West Funeral Home, Appomattox, was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Mabel Wooding Smith

Mrs. Mabel Wooding Smith, sister of George Wooding of Concord and Mrs. Ethel Woodson of Madison Heights, departed this life Wednesday in Ardmore, Pa.

A funeral service was held Sunday at 1 p.m. from Peaceful Grove Baptist Church, the Rev. Hiram Payne officiating. Interment was in the family cemetery.

Carl B. Hutcherson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Myrtle Lee Viar

Myrtle Lee Viar, 66, of Star Route Phenix, Va., died Monday evening, Aug. 6, 1984 at Virginia Baptist Hospital in Lynchburg.

Born in Charlotte County Dec. 29, 1917, she was the daughter of the late Early L. Lee and Blanche Fallen Lee. She was a member of Staunton River Baptist Church. Her husband was the late James Howard Viar.

She is survived by three sons, Ronald Wayne Viar, Richmond, Donald Lee Viar, Lynchburg, and H. Roland Viar, Phenix; two daughters, Miss Emily J. Viar, Phenix, and Mrs. Betty Jo Viar Banks, N.Y.; three brothers, Carl Brookneal; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth L. Hamlette, Brookneal, and Mrs. Edith L. Milton, Phenix; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Staunton River Baptist Church by Dr. Henry Copeland Sr. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Henderson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Revival slated

Revival services will be held at Maple Grove Pentecostal Holiness Church Aug. 19 to Aug. 25.

Homecoming will be held Aug. 19. The Kings Messengers from Concord will be guest musicians. They will perform at 2 p.m.

Evening revival services will be held at 7:30 p.m. through Aug. 25. The evangelist for the revival services will be the Rev. Maurice Synan. The Rev. Oscar Bryant is pastor of the church.

There will be special music each night of the revival, and a nursery will be provided.

The public is invited to attend.

B&W receives $84 million in contracts

Babcock & Wilcox, a major operating unit of McDermott International, Inc., announced that its Naval Nuclear Fuel Division has received approximately $84 million in contract awards from the Department of Energy. The work will be fabricated at B&W's facilities in Lynchburg, Virginia.

The orders include work for the U.S. Navy's nuclear propulsion program. Currently included among the nuclear-powered craft in the Navy are submarines and aircraft carriers as well as surface escort ships.

LAWSON FORD OF APPOMATTOX has been selected as one of the nation's outstanding Ford dealerships and has received the Ford Motor Company's Distinguished Achievement Award. This award is presented "in recognition of progressive management, customer sales and service facilities, sound merchandising practices...high quality performance...and continuing interest in rendering superior sales and service to Ford owners." Fred Lawson has been a Ford dealer in Appomattox since August 1976. The dealership is located on Rt. 460 just west of Appomattox. Pictured above are, left to right, Pat Lair, sales manager; Al Barnabei, body shop manager; Sherral Love, general manager; James Paulette, service manager; Dot Coleman, office manager; and Earl Cowart, parts manager.

At U.Va. Medical Center

Alternative to surgery is offered

The University of Virginia Medical Center announced Thursday that it has installed a new machine that uses shock waves to disintergrate kidney stones and provides an alternative to surgery. Urologists this month began treating the first patients.

The German-made Dornier Kidney Lithotripter, one of six being tested at medical centers in the United States, is "a major technological breakthrough to treat a common disorder," say Dr. Jay Y. Gillenwater, chairman of the School of Medicine's urology department. "It is the most revolutionary instrument that has come along in 10 years to treat kidney stones."

"It shatters kidney stones into innumerable sand-like particles that may then pass normally out of the body," says Gillenwater. "It generally takes 30-45 minutes to shatter a kidney stone and never longer than an hour."

"This new high-technology therapy offers our medical students and resident physicians the opportunity to learn about the most advanced technology being used to treat people with kidney stones," Gillenwater says. "At the same time, our faculty members are conducting valuable clinical research." Patients in the mid-Atlantic area will have easy access to the most modern non-surgical therapy for kidney stones."

Patients treated with the lithotripter may return to work in a few days, rather than face a nine-day hospital stay and four to six-week recuperation as with major surgery, Gillenwater says. This treatment also lowers the cost to patients, who will pay some 20 percent less than if they were to undergo surgery, he adds.

U.Va. urologists expect to treat six patients a day. Arrangements also are being made with the U.S. Department of Defense to make this treatment available here for Armed Forces personnel stationed along the East Coast.

In explaining the procedure, Gillenwater says several Food and Drug Administration-required tests are conducted on the patient, and then he or she is given a general anesthetic or a spinal block, strapped into a harness and lowered into an 1,100-gallon tank of specially treated water warmed to body temperature.

Fluoroscopy, a type of x-ray, reveals the kidney stone's exact location in the urinary tract, and then urologists focus high-energy shock waves on the stone until it disintegrates. The 92-decible shock waves, generated by underwater spark discharges, are collected and focused by a metal reflector at the bottom of the tub. The shock waves are similar to the sonic "boom" created by supersonic aircraft.

Most people pass the sand-like particles in three or four days, the urologist says, but a third of the patients suffer mild renal colic and are given medications. Another 10 percent may suffer a partial blockage, and this is relieved by another non-surgical procedure.

Kidney stones, which may cause severe abdominal pain and infection and sometimes obstruct the flow of urine, are usually hard masses that build up gradually when calcium salts crystallize on the kidney's inner surfaces. As stones grow in the urinary tract, bleeding may occur. Kidney stones are rarely fatal but can cause excruciating pain.

Kidney stones occur in approxi-

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